

West Lake News

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Rhonda Eardman Elected to Board

At the May 26 Special Membership Meeting, Rhonda Eardman was elected to serve on the Board of Directors. Rhonda is the first homeowner to be a member of the Board and will serve for one year or until control of the association board is transferred to the homeowners, whichever comes first.



Rhonda was among the first of the West Lake owners and has served on the Spirit Committee for the past year. She plans to remain as a member of this committee and is also working with the *ad hoc* Parking Committee. Rhonda is dedicated to working with all homeowners and representing their concerns to the full Board. We are excited to have her as our new board member and representative of the membership.

Ad hoc Parking Committee Created

Members attending the Special Membership Meeting and Board of Directors Meeting in May expressed concerns about overnight parking on the streets and the use of guest spaces by residents who should be parking in their garage or driveway.

Parking on the street is creating issues for residents whose driveways are being blocked by an illegally parked vehicle. Residents expressed concerns about the expenses relating to repairs to sidewalks that were not built to withstand the weight of a vehicle and the decorative stones that are being dug into the ground in the areas where the vehicles are parked and are now in need of stone replacement.

The Board considered these comments and chose to create an *ad hoc* Parking Committee to research possible solutions and make recommendations to the board on how to resolve these issues. The committee does not have the authority to create rules or enforce current published Vehicle Policy as found in the Book of Standards. The sole purpose of the committee is to recommend policy revisions and parking solutions for consideration by the Board of Directors at their next meeting.



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Summer's Confetti

by Rhonda Eardman



Our community is lined with Summer's Confetti, beautiful Crepe Myrtles. For VIBRANT Summer color few flowering plants can compete with the crepe myrtle. Just look around our neighborhood. Every street is lined with these blooming trees from mid June to mid August. There's plenty to love about them. They grow almost anywhere, are easy to maintain and are available in all shapes, sizes, and shades. The more sun, the more flowers you'll get. How big will it grow? Crepe myrtles have a reputation for growing fast. A larger one can overwhelm your landscape, which could result in the ill advised pruning practice known as "crepe murder."

CARING FOR CREPE MYRTLES

When To Plant: The cooler weather of spring or fall is ideal. If you plant in summer, water daily until leaves drop in fall. One day of dried roots could be fatal.

Where To Plant: Crepe myrtles can grow in a variety of soil types as long as they are well drained. They need at least six hours of direct sunlight a day.

Pruning Pointers: Late winter is the best time. Remove only twiggy growth in the center and branches that are growing inward, crossing over, or rubbing. Don't just haphazardly over prune them to bare stumps. This is called "crepe murder" and results in weak branches.

Prolong Blooms: Cutting off the green seedpods that hang on after the flowers have fallen in mid August can generate a second (but less robust) flowering in late summer.

Neighbors and friends, take time to enjoy our beautiful lined streets of SUMMER'S CONFETTI

Join us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/TownhomesOfWestlakeHOA/#!/groups/TownhomesOfWestlakeHOA/>

Ad hoc Parking Committee

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The Committee planned their organizational meeting for July 6. A large number of residents attended this meeting and committee members listened to their concerns and comments. They will take all of these suggestions into consideration as they move forward in their research. Because the organizational meeting turned into a town hall meeting, the committee will conduct their first business meeting on July 31 at 6:30 PM. All of the committee meetings will be held at the model and residents are welcome to attend. Residents attending future meetings will be given a brief opportunity to speak prior to the committee conducting business. Once the public forum is over, residents may only observe and may not participate or interrupt the business portion of the meeting.



Residents who cannot attend a meeting may email their comments and concerns to bvalenti@mihomes.com and the message will be distributed to all members of the committee.

This newsletter will be delivered prior to a meeting schedule being adopted. Future meetings will be posted in the message board at the cabana and on Facebook.

Friendly Reminder...

- ★ All garbage and recycle containers must be kept inside the garage - they may not be left outside in view of the street or other homes. 
- ★ When two containers are placed at curbside, they should be kept at least 3 feet apart so that the trash truck's equipment can pick the container up for dumping.
- ★ The truck driver is not required to pick up any trash that is not inside a trash container.
- ★ Cardboard and other large items must be cut down and placed inside the recycle container - truck driver is not required to pick up anything outside the recycle container.
- ★ To keep odors down in your trash containers, place several plain charcoal briquettes inside the container and replace them each time the container is emptied.

Landscape Committee???

Several residents have suggested a Landscape Committee be formed to assist management in the vendor overview process. Good idea? Would you be interested in volunteering for a Landscape Committee?

Reply to bvalenti@mihomes.com

Please review the pool rules with your family. These rules are published as a part of the Recreation Rules found on pages 95 - 100 in the Book of Standards. They are also posted at the pool.

Swimming Pool Facility Rules



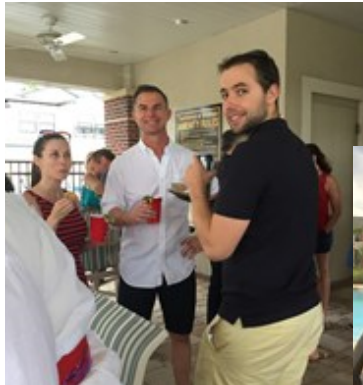
- ★ The pool is open from 7:00 AM until dusk.
- ★ Lifeguards will not be present at the pool. All persons using the pool do so at their own risk.
- ★ Maximum bather load is 33 persons. All persons using the pool shall obey the capacity requirements posted, which are defined by Hillsborough County and the State of Florida.
- ★ Children under the age of fourteen (14) must be accompanied by an adult at all times while using the pool.
- ★ Proper swimming attire must be worn while using the pool. (Bathing suits only.) No thong swimwear is permitted at the pool.
- ★ No smoking is allowed within the fenced area of the Pool Facility.
- ★ No diving is allowed.
- ★ Incontinent persons, including children who are not toilet-trained, must wear swim diapers or other protective pants designed for use in a swimming environment when using the pool.
- ★ No floatation devices are permitted in the pool, except for swim aids and water aerobics equipment.
- ★ No running or rough housing is allowed in the swimming pool facility.
- ★ No animals with the exception of qualified service animals are allowed within the Pool Facilities.
- ★ Alcohol is prohibited at the Pool Facilities.
- ★ No glass containers of any kind are allowed in the Pool Facilities.
- ★ Radios and/or “boom boxes” may not be played at the pool. All portable electronic devices are allowed if headphones are used.
- ★ Food and beverages are prohibited in the pool and on the pool wet deck area per Florida Statute. Please consume food under the covered lanai.

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Spirit Committee -

The Spirit Committee has held two fun events since our last publication. A Cinco de Mayo Party with catering by Tijuana Flats and a Food Truck Pool Party. Don't miss out on the fun. Plan to join us at our future events. Watch for details in email blasts, Facebook and newsletters. We're planning events now for Autumn - if you would like to be part of the committee, plan to attend the next meeting on July 27 at 6:30 PM. Meetings are held at the cabana.

Cinco de Mayo Party



Swimming Pool Rules continued from previous page



- ★ Call 911 in the event of an emergency.
- ★ The Pool Facilities will be closed during electrical storms or when rain makes it difficult to see any part of the pool or pool bottom clearly. The pool will be closed at the first sound of thunder or sighting of lightning and will remain closed for thirty (30) minutes after the last sighting. Everyone must leave the pool deck immediately upon hearing thunder or sighting lightning, or when instructed to do so by Management.



Spirit Committee
July 27, 6:30 PM
Pool Office

Ad hoc Parking Committee
July 31, 6:30 PM
Model

Spirit Committee
August 24, 6:30 Pm
Pool Office

Labor Day
September 4

Annual Membership Meeting &
Board of Directors Meeting
(2018 Budget Adoption)
September 27, 6:00 PM
Location to be announced

Spirit Committee
September 28, 6:30 PM
Pool Office

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customeraretampa@mihomes.com

Home Team Pest Control
(813) 886-4700

TECO - Streetlight Repair
(813) 223-0800 or
<https://secure.tampaelectric.com/tampaelectricsecure/forms/residential/streetlightout/>



Home Team - Pest Control

Your monthly assessments cover the cost of pest control and the monitoring of the Sentricon termite system. The Association contracts with Home Team to provide these services for all of the townhomes in West Lake. If you experience problems with ants, roaches, termites, etc. please contact Home Team directly at (813) 886-4700 Identify yourself as a resident of the Townhomes of West Lake Community Association. Check out their website to learn more about your Taexxo and Sentricon systems and how your home is protected.



<https://pestdefense.com/tampa/tampa-south/>